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R. M. WHITE, Editor and Proprietor.]  
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To Our Pride in the Past and Our Hope for the Future, Let Us Add Vigorous Work in the Living Present.  
MEXICO, MISSOURI, THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1894.  
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FARMERS  
ALL SUBSCRIBE  
For the Weekly Ledger  
Because They Want  
Reliable Market Reports  
STOCK NOTES, SALES, AGRICULTURAL  
MATTERS OF INTEREST  
To All On The Farm.

THE ARMSTRONG (Mo.) Herald is seven years old and lively for its age. Money can do much, but one of the things it cannot do is to prevent the reforming of the tariff.

AN increase duty on cigars and whisky by no means signifies an increased duty to use them.

THE nearest thing to a vacuum is a letter written merely for the purpose of keeping up a correspondence.

NOT only can a woman laugh in her sleeves but so can her whole family, and there's room for the neighbors.

THE public man who always keeps in view the line between obstinacy and independence will save himself considerable trouble.

THE Auxvasse (Mo.) Review is much improved in every way and is one of the brightest and newest country papers in Missouri.

WE know some people who are already practicing the "stay law" and they intend to keep it up as long as they can get credit.

VANDALIA is one of the most substantial little cities in the state and should have a good system of water works. It would pay.

THE Shelby (Mo.) Democrat is twenty-six years old and improves with age. It is a conservative, substantial and well edited newspaper.

UNCLE SAM starts the New Year with less cash in his strong box than he would like to have; but gee whizz! what a credit the old man has got.

CHARITY is one of the few things that is justified in not advertising, though even charity can set a good example by letting its good deeds be made known.

THE long haired men and the short haired women appear to have control of the politics in Kansas and the Governor is liable to call out troops before he gets matters settled satisfactorily.

THE Indianapolis man who killed a widow because she refused to marry him adopted an unique method of showing his love. He is the sort of a fellow that a hump necktie would look well on.

IT took the Republicans of the House just one month and five days to put the McKinley bill through that body. There is no good reason why it should take the Democrats of the present House any longer to pass the Wilson bill.

THE commercial world seems now to be passing through the darkest hour, the one that always precedes daylight. After the daylight, which may be hastened by intelligent Democratic legislation, will come the glorious sun of national prosperity.

THE condition of the finances of the country appears to be worrying the Republicans, who are responsible for it, much more than it is worrying President Cleveland and Secretary Carlisle. The people have faith in the ability of the Democratic majority in Congress to take care of the finances as well as of the tariff, but they want the tariff attended to first.

THE prospect is now that there will be a very short ice crop in Missouri. There is no question but that a good ice plant in Mexico would pay well and not only be a great convenience to our people, but will keep lots of money at home. Quite a number of our business men signify a willingness to take stock in such an enterprise. Ice plants pay in other places and will pay here in Mexico.

THE Booneville, Mo., Democrat very sensibly says: "Fall in! Line up, Democrats! The year 1894 is one of general elections in Missouri and the Democrats must prepare for them. Let them have their own opinions about silver, the tariff, the national administration, Mr. Cleveland and everything and everybody else, but let them quit abusing each other, and Grover Cleveland, and take their places in the ranks as Democrats. By this patriotic course they will not give aid and comfort to the enemy, but solidify and render invincible the advancing columns of Democracy. Fall in!"

WALTER WILLIAMS, the brilliant young editor of the Columbia Herald, extends the following New Year's greeting to members of the newspaper fraternity:

TO Brother Cook and his new dress; to Brother White and his new house; to Brother Baldwin and his new press; to Brother Burkhardt and his new girl; to Brother Gray and his new subscribers; to Brother Walton and his new appointment; to Brother Ferrel and his new poem; to Brother Mason and his new wife; to Brother Switzer and his new partner; to Brother Link and his new home; to Brother Balthis and his new job; and to all the other brethren without regard to age, sex or previous condition of poverty.

Late Newkirk, who is now at Woodland, Cal., has our thanks for late San Francisco papers.

QUITE a number of farmers and business men of this county are complaining to the LEDGER on account of the unenviable reputation this county and other counties in Missouri are getting throughout the United States and the world, on account of resolutions being passed by the F. & L. U. organizations favoring "stay laws" and other abominable, outrageous, uncalled-for, unnecessary ratty legislation of the same kind. Dr. Ramsay, veterinarian surgeon of this city, who traveled throughout the state this fall, was twitted on several occasions on account of this "matter. The remark would be made, "So you are from Audrain county where they want a stay law." As a matter of fact Audrain county does not favor a stay law and no percentage of our people are in favor of this movement. The farmers of the county are down on such "cheap john" legislation. The F. & L. U. is evidently under the control of people who have not the best interests of our people at heart. We sincerely trust that this organization will at the next county meeting prove to the world that its object and aims are sensible. The resolutions passed by the District F. & L. U. as published in the LEDGER are along the same line. It is true resolutions do not amount to much, but the vicious result arising from the impressions made on the people of other states by such rot is calculated to injure our interests materially. The farmers of Audrain county who belong to this organization should see to it that they are properly represented in their county and district meetings.

THE stay law and laid loan schemes are only worthy of attention by us at this time on account of the unenviable reputation its supporters are giving us abroad. People of Audrain county are not in favor of such movements. The people of other parts of the United States long since discussed the land loan scheme and found it worthless. As a substantial citizen said this morning to the writer: "Suppose the government had money to loan, suppose it should loan it even at 2 per cent, who would get the benefit of this? Could the poor farmers, who have their farms loaded with mortgages borrow money from the government? Their security would not be sufficient. As a matter of fact, wealthy land owners throughout the country would get the 2 per cent money and re-loan it at from 8 to 30 per cent. There is nothing in the scheme but a bait to catch suckers." We are inclined to think that the gentleman who made the above statement is pretty well posted.

AUDRAIN county is one of the most prosperous counties in the country. There are fewer forced sales of property and a less number of trustee's and sheriff's sales than in any other county in Missouri. Those people who are favoring a stay law, if they only know it, are making times much harder. People who have money to loan don't want to loan it in a country where such fool legislation is favored. People who have money loaned in such a community want to withdraw it as soon as possible.

THE people of Audrain county are paying their taxes more promptly this year than ever and never during our seventeen years' experience in the printing business have we known subscribers to pay as promptly and renew as regularly as they have for the LEDGER this far in January. We have increased our subscription list nearly three times as much during the last month as during any other month in the history of the paper.

MARRIAGE license was granted last week to Otis H. Stone and Clara Slaten, of Audrain county.

### Only the Scars Remain.

"Among the many testimonials which I see in regard to certain medicines performing cures, cleansing the blood, etc." writes Henry Benson, of the James Smith Wooden Machinery Co., Philadelphia, Pa., "no one impresses me more than your own case. Twenty years ago, at the age of 18 years, I had swellings come on my legs, which broke and became running sores. Our family physician could do me no good, and it was feared that the bones would be affected. At last, my good old mother urged me to try Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I took three bottles, the sores healed, and I have not been troubled since. The scars remain, and the memory of the past to remind me of the good Ayer's Sarsaparilla has done me. I now advise Ayer's Sarsaparilla advertised in all parts of the United States, and always take pleasure in telling what good it has done me."

For the cure of all diseases originating in impure blood, the best remedy is

### AYER'S Sarsaparilla

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Cures others, will cure you

### ELDER HOOK REMEMBERED.

His Friends in Kansas Make Him Several Appreciated Presents.

G. T. Hook has received the following interesting letter from his brother, W. H. Hook:

CALDWELL, KS., Dec. 28.—MY DEAR BROTHER: Your kind letter received and contents noted. I was glad to hear from you once more, and to hear that you are all well. We are as well as usual, for which we are very thankful. Mamie is at Bethany now visiting Minnie; they are well. No news here of interest. The weather is very fine indeed. It don't look nor feel like winter. Indeed "December is as pleasant as May." Well, Christmas has come and gone and 1893 will soon be numbered with the years that are gone. It will be remembered as the happiest and best of all years; with many, many of the saddest and most sorrowful, but the days are about over. The year 1893 passes into history. May the Infinite Father forgive the sins committed and help us draw the veil of charity over the blunders and mistakes of our fellow man. It is my prayer to Him who doeth all things well. How thankful we should be to God for all his benefits. Let us try, dear brother, to "take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord." My friends and brethren here have been very kind to me and mine. Recently they presented me with a fine suit of clothes and also a fine overcoat, for which I am indeed very thankful; not simply because I need them, but to know that I am appreciated. When we know that our work is appreciated it makes the world look brighter and helps us endure the burdens of life. Remember us kindly to all and write as often as convenient. All send kindest regards to you and yours. Affectionately and truly

Your Bro.,  
W. H. Hook.

Mr. Bland will to-morrow, promptly on the convening of Congress, introduce a bill for the coinage of the silver dollar under the provisions of the Sherman law, and the U. S. Treasury notes based on this seigniorage. This, it is estimated, would amount to something over \$50,000,000 and the opponents of the bond issue believe that this would be sufficient to cover the deficit and give the new tariff bill a chance to get into working order and provide ample revenue.

There is not much doubt that Mr. Bland will be supported very generally by the Democrats of the South and West, who hold that a bond issue of any kind would be so unpopular in their sections that the Populists would wipe the Democrats out of existence almost at the next election.

Mr. Bland's bill will, of course, be referred to his committee, that on Coinage Weights and Measures; and it is safe to say that it can be reported back without delay. What its fate will be in the House is another question, but it is believed that it will command a majority vote, and certainly would provide an easy method of meeting immediately the deficiency.

Mr. Bland's bill will repeal the gold note feature of the Sherman act and substitute the issuing of silver notes or notes redeemable in silver coin. This undoubtedly will be the first stand made by silver men, and on it the friends and opponents of silver in the House will have another opportunity to measure their strength.

### Hives

Like All Other Blood Diseases, Are Cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"I have been a sufferer for several years with hives, and have tried everything I could hear of, from friends or ordered by physicians, but nothing cured. In fact I seemed to be getting worse. Finally I read about hives being cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, and decided to try this medicine. I have also heard of it in many other ways. It is a good medicine. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures all Liver Ills, Biliousness, Jaundice, Itchiness, Sick Headache, etc."

George Frank, formerly of Mexico, is going into the grocery and dry goods business in Laddonia, Mo.

### THE MEASURE EXPLAINED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—Representative McMillin, chairman of the subcommittee in charge of the internal revenue feature of the tariff bill, outlined to an Associated Press reporter to-day the salient features of the income tax measure, which he expects to complete in a day or two. He said:

"The corporation part of the measure will not require an inquiry on every individual to determine what amount of corporate stock he holds, but the assessment will be made against and paid by the corporations in the first instance, and hence a man owning corporate stock will not be worried by assessors unless he is subject to an individual income tax."

"The corporation will pay the tax of each of its incorporators and will in turn charge it up against them. If a corporation pays for an incorporator on the dividends he would derive, he, in turn is credited with that amount in assessing his general income for taxation."

"As to foreigners and foreign associations holding interest-bearing securities in this country, they will be assessed the same as our own citizens. It will not be necessary to go abroad in order to ascertain these investments, as the assessment against the corporations will cover all of its stockholders, foreign as well as domestic. The collection of the tax will be in the hands of the internal revenue bureau. It will not necessitate the appointment of new tax collectors in the various states, but a few additional assessors and deputies will be required to work under the present revenue collectors."

"It should be understood that the tax will be confined to about \$5,000 people, according to estimates furnished me by the Treasury Department; that no large force will be necessary to keep track of such a comparatively small class. The individuals taxed will number not more than one-third as many men as were taxed under the old income tax law."

Mr. McMillin says the bill will provide means for compelling disclosures as to incomes somewhat similar to the methods used by several of the states. He says the penalties for failing to report or for false reports have not yet been fixed.

Representative Jerry Simpson says that the Populist section of Congress would solidly support the income tax plan. He regarded it as opening a way to free trade, saying that a revenue tariff will be necessary from now on as revenues are not raised from incomes or other source. Mr. Simpson asserts that the plan will be immensely popular with the masses.

Representative Tarsney, one of the members of the Ways and Means Committee who voted for the income tax, to-day met the objection that the Populist section of Congress would solidly support the income tax plan. He regarded it as opening a way to free trade, saying that a revenue tariff will be necessary from now on as revenues are not raised from incomes or other source. Mr. Simpson asserts that the plan will be immensely popular with the masses.

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Bob Stone.  
From the St. Louis Republic.

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Will cure  
The worst cases  
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From a  
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To that awful  
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Scrofula.  
Try a bottle  
To-day.

### Advise to a Son.

Charles Dickens wrote to his son soon after entering Cambridge university: "Whatever you do, above all things keep out of debt and confide in me. If you ever find yourself on the verge of any perplexity or difficulty, come to me. You will never find me hard with you while you are manly and truthful. As your brothers have gone away one by one, I have written to each of them what I am now going to write to you. You know that you have never been hampered with religious forms of restraint, and that with mere unmeaning forms I have no sympathy. But I most strongly and affectionately impress upon you the priceless value of the New Testament, and the study of that book as the one unerring guide in life. Deeply respecting it, and bowing down before the character of our Savior, as separated from the vain constructions and intentions of men, you cannot go very wrong, and will always preserve at heart a true spirit of veneration and humility. Similarly I impress upon you the habit of saying a Christian prayer every night and morning. These things have stood by me all through life. And remember that I tried to render the New Testament intelligible to you, and lovable by you, when you were a mere baby."

### WAITE WRITES A LETTER.

He Deplores the Fact That the Legislature is Against Him.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 4.—Governor LeWelling made public to-day a letter he has received from Governor Waite, of Colorado, wherein he scores Congress and Wall street and gives his reasons for calling a special session of the Legislature. The letter says:

My Dear Governor: Yours of December 16 received. In all probability there will be a special session of our State Legislature early in January. That Legislature is not Populist in either branch, although we fairly carried the State. We were scientifically counted out by defects in our Australian ballot law. The chief object of calling a special session is to provide ways and means to furnish work for the unemployed, to repeal the infamous bonding system which is fast burdening our municipalities with debt, and permit the State, counties, cities and school districts to make public improvements on their own credit, with their own scrip and that scrip receivable for taxes.

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### RINGO HOUSE SOLD.

One of the Largest Real Estate Deals Ever Made in This County.

Rufus Hisey has sold the Ringo House to Mr. Eph. Hughes, of this city, for \$40,000, Mr. Hughes paying \$17,000 in cash and trading him 240 acres of land known as the John Smith farm, four miles east of Mexico, at \$35 an acre, 120 head of cattle, 80 head of mules and some other stock. The Ringo House is one of the best paying pieces of property in Mexico and we understand that Mr. Hughes will put some substantial improvements on it. This trade will not interfere with Mr. W. F. Reed's lease on the hotel, which will run for some time yet. We understand that Mr. Hughes will move to Mexico and we take pleasure in welcoming him to business and social circles of the city. He is an enterprising, pushing business man and will help to make Mexico a city.

The Ringo House was built in 1866 by A. R. Ringo, deceased, and was at that time the most pretentious hotel-building in North Missouri. The house passed from the Ringo estate to Edward Rines, who sold it to Mr. Hisey. The upper part of the building has been used continuously since 1867 as a hotel. The first landlord was Col. Thomas, who sold it to Messrs. Birt and Jas. Ringo; E. D. Graham was the next proprietor, and after him Messrs. Thorne & Buckner who were succeeded by Col. Lewis Hord, who sold to a Mr. Thomas of Illinois. Bob Worrell was proprietor for two or three months, after which Bob Edmonston ran it for a short time, when the hotel went into the hands of the present proprietor, Wm. F. Reed. The building and ground cost Mr. Ringo about \$65,000.

### Tariff Reform.

MEXICO, Mo., Jan. 4.—DEAR SIR: Republicans and some fault-finding Democrats think they have found a mare's nest in free wool, and 40 per cent. left on some manufactured woolsens. The difference that these reductions will make are sufficient to make all retail dealers glad to get rid of their stock on hand, bought under McKinley prices, at cost or even at 10 to 15 per cent. loss. Ain't it a little queer if any one really wishes to make an instantaneous change that would be any harder on "innocent holders" of the iniquitously protected goods? Let these folks get out from under their load and we can hit another lick of the same kind.

Tariff reform does not of necessity seek ruin of merchant or manufacturer either, but only to force gradually to a just basis, finally doing away with special privileges and leaving every tub to stand on its own bottom, and only the utterly worthless need perish. The Wilson bill is only the beginning of reform, not the final result. That must wait possibly half as long as it took to build up an evil that is interwoven with every branch of commerce. In the meantime wool-growers are not hurt because prices have in anticipation fallen to about a free trade basis.

### JUSTICE.

A. Golden, Druggist, Birmingham, Ala., writes: "Please publish some of the testimonials I have sent you for Japanese Pile Cure." Sold by French & Garrett.

### STOCK NOTES.

From the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture.

Stock need an increased ration during extremely cold weather.

Good hogs are cheap now and this is a good time to go to grading up the herd.

An exchange thinks farmers should sell their horses through an agency of their own.

It pays best to raise the kind of stock one likes best, for he will give them better attention.

The surplus of horses in the country seems to be of a class horse buyers don't want to invest in.

Stock are matured early mainly by proper feeding and care; although it can be aided by proper breeding.

If an animal is once allowed to become very poor, it will require so much feed to bring it back that it will not be very profitable.

Some of our readers who have been raising cattle at a profit should give us their methods of breeding, feeding, marketing, etc.

An Ohio man who fed twelve hogs on wheat, estimates that he got \$67.20 for 50 bushels of wheat by marketing it in the form of pork; whereas if he had sold it he would only have received \$26. He advised buying hogs, even at a good price, to feed the wheat to.

Not one minute elapses between the taking of one Minute Cough Cure and relief. Why shouldn't people take One Minute Cough Cure? They should. They do. French & Garrett.

O. J. Berry wants to buy thoroughbred Poland China pigs weighing from 25 to 50 pounds. He lives three miles east of Centralia.

O. J. Berry sold two litters of pigs from one sow this year for \$140. It pays to raise good hogs.

### Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

## Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

Written for the Ledger by L. E. G. H. IN MEMORY OF A VISIT To The Family of Elijah Holt, Hutton, Callaway County, Mo., Dec. 10, 1893.

It will shine on memory's pages, And linger for aye in the heart, 'Twill bloom in the future whenever Retrospection has taken a part. Oh, no! We will never forget it. And when we are aged and grey We'll think of it, talk of it, Corda, And call it our red-letter day.

The sun struggled out through the clouds, For up in the bleak wintry sky, And the wee-birds shook in the branches As bold chilly winds whistled by; But what cared we for the winter winds, If earth were less rosy and light? Our 'world' in the parlor that evening Was wondrously, gloriously bright.

The host, with a look of contentment, Sat quietly by all the while; The hostess (God bless her), who'd never Forgotten her kind motherly smile, The clasp of those frail, gentle fingers, The kind words of welcome she gave.

The look on that dear aged countenance Will follow me down to my grave. And there were their children five present— Three daughters, so gentle and good That looking at them you would murmur: "Fair samples of true womanhood!" And Robert, the husband of Alice, And Warren, the brother who made Such music that all ceased their chatter And eagerly list' while they played.

And Charlie, the pet of the household, Oh, how earnestly he'd try To make others happy as he himself was. As the hours sped hurriedly by, And everyone noted his kindness, And each heart was grateful to know By the song, the jest and the laughter That oft through the parlor did flow.

And there were the guests, pretty Dora With ever a kind word of praise, And Vannie, my dear little cousin, With her quiet and sweet gentle ways, And Jimmie, her big handsome brother.

Who laughingly teased everyone, And his manner and look said plainly: "I'm in for all kinds of fun."

And Corda, I knew you were happy. Your laugh was so merry and sweet: And I in that big easy rocker— Oh! well, dear, my cup was complete.

Yes, there 'mid the music and laughter I thought of that heaven of bliss, And as I glanced 'round the parlor: "It cannot be brighter than this."

I mused, "could my wishes be granted I truly, yes, gladly, would strew The pathway of everyone present With roses of most brilliant hue; The old should be freed from earth's trials; Peace ever should smile on each brow; The young should be kept from temptation, And as free from sorrow as now."

The group in the parlor that evening May gather on earth never more; But memory will cherish each image, Ah! yes, till life's journey is o'er! And as all things earthly must vanish That bright happy day passed away, But we will oft talk of it, Corda, And call it our red-letter day.

During the past half-century—since the discovery of Ayer's Sarsaparilla—the average limit of human life in civilized countries, has been considerably lengthened. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is everywhere considered the standard blood-purifier, the Superior medicine.

Malinda Reagan has sued her husband L. C. Reagan for divorce, making divers and sundry charges, which are too outrageous for publication.

Dick Shell was up from Laddonia this week to see his father, who is ill.

THE table puts the stock of gold money at \$3,901,900,000; silver, \$3,981,100,000, and uncovered paper money at \$2,700,000,000.

You will be pleased with the mild and lasting effect of the Japanese Liver Pellets. Try them. Sold by French & Garrett.

### WILL BE REJECTED.

The Senate Won't Confirm J. Scott Harrison.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—The case of J. Scott Harrison, nominated by the President for Surveyor of the Port of Kansas City, has been informally considered by the Senate Committee on Commerce. While no formal action has yet been taken, there is no longer a doubt that Mr. Harrison's nomination will be rejected. All the Democrats but one and three Republicans agreed with Senator Vest in moving Mr. Harrison's rejection.

What the President will do under the circumstances is not known. Some think that he will again nominate Mr. Harrison, but the majority believe he will accept the dictum of the Senate as final and send in the name of a new man. That Mr. Harrison will be rejected by the Senate, however, is no longer in doubt.

Burns are absolutely painless when Dr. Witt's Witch Hazel Salve is promptly applied. This statement is true. A perfect remedy for skin diseases, chapped hands and lips, and never fails to cure piles. French & Garrett.

Capt. Frost, one of the oldest and best priaters in the state, has just resigned his position with our contemporaries and will likely accept a position as book-keeper and collector for one of Mexico's physicians.

It will astonish you how quick Johnson's Mycetic Oil will kill all pains. 25 and 50 cents. French & Garrett.

Capt. Mosely, brother-in-law of Johnnie Beatty, is over from Lincoln county on a visit.

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**Baking Powders Before Congress.**

The Pure Food bill before Congress would be a righteous measure for the people, and should become a law. The public want pure food, and in order to protect themselves must know what is adulterated. All adulterated preparations should be so branded, including Baking Powders containing Ammonia or Alum. Then if people want to dose themselves with "Absolutely Pure" Ammonia or Alum, they will do it knowingly. The public have been looking up the composition of Ammonia and Alum and they don't like the idea of eating either in their hot biscuit.

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